

WASHINGTON - Congressman John W. Olver (D-1st District) announced today that the c

"There is a tremendous need for good, reliable public transportation services in the region,"

Olver added, "Safe and well maintained roadways are vital for the people who live, work an

Olver is the ranking member of the Transportation-Treasury Subcommittee of the House A

Federal transportation assistance for the First District in the FY05 omnibus bill includes:

**\$2.8 million for Dudley Road (Route 101) in Templeton**

The funding will go toward improvements to Dudley Road in Templeton, also known as Ro

This project will provide significant local and regional transportation improvements. Dudley

For more information, contact Laila Michaud, Montachusett Regional Planning Commission

**\$2.4 million for Montachusett Area Regional Transit (MART) maintenance facility in Gardner**

This funding will assist MART with its plans to locate a maintenance facility in Gardner that

MART currently leases property in Gardner to house its motor bus and demand responsive

A new Gardner facility will be a hub for all transportation-related activities, such as intercity

The new facility will store eight buses, 21 vans and some utility vehicles. This facility will al

For more information, contact Mohammed Kahn, MART, at 978-345-7711, ext. 2233.

**\$500,000 for the G-Link**

This funding will support the continuation of the G-Link, a fixed-route scheduled transportat

The majority of passengers use the G-Link to travel to and from work, while others use it to

There are close to 100 daily riders on the section of the route running between Athol, Oran

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**\$450,000 for Community Transit Services (CTS)**

Community Transit Services (CTS), a non-profit public transportation

This funding will allow CTS to provide feeder service to the G-Link fi

Services provided by CTS are particularly important to people with d

For more information, contact Fran Gromelski, director of CTS, at 97

**\$700,000 to expand the New England High Speed Rail Corridor plan**

Currently, the New England High Speed Rail Corridor plan includes

This new funding would expand the corridor plan to include many lar

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